

## **ROTARY CLUB OF FRANKFORT, MICHIGAN**

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING: WEDNESDAY, May 7, 2025

Board Members: ☒ Dale Charters, ☐ Bill Collin, ☒ Tim Foster, ☒ Mitch Jaworski, ☒ Stacy Pasche, ☐ Jay Peregrine, ☐ Amy Plumstead, ☒ Judy Remmert (remote), ☒ Julie Schumaker, ☐ Pat Storrer (remote), ☒ Steve Walton GUESTS: None

**Call to Order:** 10:21 am by Foster

**Agenda:** Approved DC/PS

**Minutes:** Approved with correction of Brenna Nugent's name and date of next meeting (May 7, not May 1)  
PS/DC

**Secretary's Report:** Pasche

- 64 (59 active + 5 honorary)
- Mitch requested an updated member list, as he only has 53 active members on his billing list. Current member lists are available via Clubrunner.

**Membership Report:** Walton

- Membership application for Ron Lowe (sponsor Bruce Ogilvie).  
⇒ **Motion:** Schumaker made a motion to approve Lowe for membership. Second by Pasche. Motion approved unanimously.
- A new member packet is still needed.
- Julie mentioned that every month, Zones 28 & 32 offer an Orientation Session for new members on the 1st Wednesday of the month via Zoom. This is an excellent overview of Rotary for both new (and old) members.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jaworski

- Mitch is working with Amy Plumstead to clean up accounts to transfer files to a new accounting program TBD. (see previous discussions in April, March, Jan 2025 minutes)
- Julie requested a line item budget for the next FY.

**President's Report:** Foster

- Request from Frankfort High School for monetary donation for Senior Night 2025  
⇒ **Motion:** Walton motioned to approve \$500 for FHS Senior Night. Second by Pasche. Motion passed unanimously.
- Request to sponsor Crystal Lake Business Association's Music in the Park. No motion made.

**Administrator's Report:** None/Vacancy

**Publicity Report:** None/Vacancy

- Julie suggested reaching out to Renee Fisk to serve as publicity chair.

**Grants Report:** Storrer/Charters

- Pat asked Tim to please remind the club that the Rotary Endowment at the Community Foundation provides \$1 for \$1 match for gifts to eligible nonprofits made by individual Rotarians in our five-county region, up to \$250 annually. Matching forms available at <https://www.gtrcf.org/give/our-funds.html/216/>
- Julie mentioned that several lakeshore clubs are using district grants for lighthouse maintenance/restoration projects and we could too.
- District grant (7th Street steps) progress report due June 30.
- Pat and Julie explained how club "annual share" eligibility works. "Rotary clubs are expected to contribute at least \$100 per capita annually to the Rotary International Annual Fund-SHARE. Additionally, every dues-paying Rotarian should contribute a minimum of \$25 personally to the Annual Fund. This per capita contribution requirement is crucial for clubs to be eligible for Global and District matching grant funds. Clubs that meet this requirement are recognized as Every Year Club". (from <https://www.rotary.org/en/donate/recognition>)

**Willoughby Report:** None**Youth/Education Services:** Schumaker

- Julie provided a progress report on this year's youth program budget and presented a youth services budget proposal for FY 2025/26. Reports attached.

⇒ **Motion** by Schumaker to send 3 FHS students to the 2025 Life Leadership Conference. Second by Jaworski. Motion passed, unanimously.

**Old Business:** None**New Business:**

- Julie reported on her experience at the District Empowerment Summit. She brought several ideas:
  - Creation of a Community Services Committee to focus on service projects.
  - Creation of a Club Connections Committee to focus on social events, publicity, and camaraderie.
  - Creation of a Fundraising Committee to create a new club fundraiser (e.g., a car or boat raffle, an online or in-person auction, etc.)
- We acknowledge there has not been great success in volunteer recruitment in the past. For example, it has been difficult to get volunteers to help with spring clean-up of Rotary Park (only 2 volunteers out of 64 members). Despite this, we have new members who may be seeking more community engagement and there is no harm in trying.
- Committee recruitment might be more effective at the fall Assembly meeting rather than July, as July is a very busy time for most members.

**Adjournment:** Jaworski/Storrer at 11:49 a.m.**Next Meeting:** June 4, 2025

10:15am at Hotel Frankfort.

*Submitted by: Stacy Pasche*